

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION  
HIGHLAND CITY COUNCIL  
MONDAY, MAY 18, 2015**

Mayor Michaelis called the Regular Session to order at 7:00pm. Council members Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides were present. Others in attendance were City Manager Mark Latham, City Attorney John Long; Directors Cook, Gillespie, Korte, Peck, Rosen and Schoeck; Police Chief Bell, Fire Chief Bloemker, Library Director Kim, Deputy City Clerk Hediger, City Clerk Bellm; Steve Oates, Justin Venvertloh of Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen, Inc.; 9 citizens, and one member of the news media.

**MINUTES**

Councilman Schwarz made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2015 Regular Session as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm, and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

**PRESENTATION OF SCHOLARSHIP**

Mr. Justin Venvertloh, civil engineering of Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen, Inc. and manager of their Edwardsville office, presented the TWM Engineering & Surveying Scholarship to Evan Goedelmann. Mr. Venvertloh stated, as a company with local roots, we believe in giving back and encouraging education in our fields. This year's recipient, Evan Goedelmann, was chosen for his scholastic ability, character and leadership skills. Evan plans to attend University of Illinois, majoring in mechanical engineering.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Citizens' Requests and Comments:

*Paint the Town Purple Request* – Paula Redman, 1305 Oak Street, Publicity Chair for Highland Relay for Life requested permission to do the annual Paint the Town Purple project, as part of the Relay for Life, which will be held July 10-11. We are requesting to tie purple ribbons around trees on the Square and along Lindenthal, Poplar, Washington, and Walnut and other well-traveled streets to draw awareness to cancer and the Relay for Life event. The ribbons will be tied on by the EvUCC youth group, under the supervision of Pastor Will Verdin. They are planning to do this around May 31, so that the ribbons are up for the June 5 Peanut Butter & Jam Festival, and we will get them down within two weeks after the Relay for Life event. Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve the request of Highland Relay for Life to tie purple ribbons on trees around town as requested; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

*2015 HCWC Pumpkin Patch Square Use Request* – Michelle Cramer, Committee Rep., stated we are requesting use of the Square from Thursday, October 18 through Sunday, October 21, 2015 for the Pumpkin Patch. In an effort to expand the event, in its second year on the Square, we are seeking closure of Broadway, from Washington to Laurel Street, and Laurel Street, from Main Street to Broadway, beginning at 10am on Thursday, October 15 through Saturday night. We would like all parking spaces directly surrounding the Square to be closed off beginning Friday, October 16 at 6am through Saturday night. We are requesting use of bathroom facilities behind the Chamber of Commerce office, and delivery and pick up of ten picnic tables and fifteen folding tables from Parks & Rec.

Councilman Nicolaides asked why so much time. Ms. Cramer explained we are going to have carnival rides, very similar to Schweizerfest. Councilman Nicolaides noted Schweizerfest does not request that much time. Ms. Cramer responded, we are using a different company, and our company requested to have set up for one day prior to beginning operation. Councilman Nicolaides pointed out you are asking to close access to eight businesses for two to three business days. In addition, you wanting to shut off parking for patrons of businesses around the Square for two days.

Councilwoman Bellm noted the actual hours of the event are Friday, 4pm-10pm and Saturday, 10am to 6pm. She asked for representatives from the Highland Civic Women's Club to contact the merchants around the Square and get some feedback from those merchants. Councilman Nicolaides pointed out that the tables delivered and picked up from the Weinheimer will require the City to pay overtime to employees. Director Rosen stated they would take the tables out to them on a business day; however, he acknowledged with returning them on Saturday or Sunday, we will need to call staff in.

*Schweizerfest Road Closure Time Change Request* – Amber Eilers, Chairperson of Schweizerfest, stated after speaking with Clay County Concessions, the carnival ride operator, they realize they need to start setting up the rides at 9am on Friday. We are requesting closure of Broadway from Laurel to Washington beginning at 9am, as we did last year. Somehow we had miscommunication and picked up the time from years prior to that first closed Broadway down on Friday afternoon. Deputy City Clerk Lana Hediger explained, we requested 9:30am from the State of Illinois last year. The Jaycees, in their original request this year, request 1:00pm. They are now asking for the same time as they had last year. Councilman Frey stated I like having things downtown; however, we are getting more and more requests that inconveniencing downtown businesses. I am comfortable with what they did last year. Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve the closure of Broadway to the same time as it was last year, which was 9:30am, as requested; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

#### Requests of Council:

Councilwoman Bellm stated the roundabout, at Poplar and Broadway, with the new flagpole and flowers planted looks very nice.

Mayor Michaelis reminded everyone of the Memorial Day Parade, starting at 1:00pm from HHS. The parade route will go down Troxler Ave, to the peripheral route, and end at Rinderer Park where a ceremony will be held.

Staff Reports:

City Manager Latham reported the final pouring of concrete on the Veterans' Memorial Parkway is being completed this week. Work is being done to prepare the park and we complete seeding along roadway.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Approve Mayor's Reappointment to the Police and Fire Commission – Councilman Schwarz made a motion to approve the mayor's re-appointment of Mr. Richard G. Ringwald to the Police & Fire Commission for another three-year term to expire June 2018 as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Approve Mayor's Reappointments to the Telecommunications Advisory Board, Industrial Development Commission, and the Liquor Control Commission – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve the mayor's re-appointment of George E. Marron, III, for a three-year term to the Telecommunications Advisory Board; Darell Bellm, Jon Greve, Diane Korte-Lindsey, Ryan Goodwin, and Eric Rehkemper for one-year terms, expiring May 2016, to the Industrial Development Commission; and Tim McGinley to another three-year term, expiring June 2018, on the Liquor Control Commission as attached; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #15-52/RESOLUTION Requesting Road Closure From IL Department of Transportation for Schweizerfest Event – Councilman Schwarz made a motion to approve Bill #15-52/Resolution #15-05-2324 requesting road closure from Illinois Department of Transportation for Schweizerfest Event as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #15-53/RESOLUTION Requesting Road Closure From IL Department of Transportation for Schweizerfest Parades – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve Bill #15-53/Resolution #15-05-2325 requesting road closure from Illinois Department of Transportation for Schweizerfest Parades as attached; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Award Bid for 2015 Motor Fuel Tax Maintenance Materials (Section 15-00000-00-GM) – made a motion to award bid for 2015 Motor Fuel Tax Maintenance Materials (Section 15-00000-00-GM) as follows: CA-6 Aggregate to Beelman Logistics, LLC, in the amount of \$10,764.00; CA-7 Aggregate to Beelman Logistics, LLC, in the amount of \$5,188.00; CM-13 079CML2-22 Slag (Grit) to Beelman Logistics, LLS, in the amount of \$224.00; Seal Coat Aggregate, Furnished & Delivered to Beelman Logistics LLC, in the amount of \$19,260.00; MC-800 Prime, Furnish & Applied to Mike A. Maedge Trucking in the amount of \$16,390.00; HFRS-2 - Emulsion, Furnish & Applied to Mike A. Maedge Trucking in the amount of \$52,527.00; Seal Coat Aggregate, Hauled & Spread to DeLaurent Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$24,600, as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

## **REPORTS**

Approve Warrants #985 & #986 – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve Warrant #985 & #986 as attached; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Frey and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Councilwoman Bellm abstained. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilman Schwarz. All council members voted aye, none nay. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:28pm.

Joseph Michaelis, Mayor

Barbara Bellm, City Clerk